

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Tatsuto YAMAZAKI, et al.

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For: POLYMER ELECTROLYTE FUEL CELL



Group Art Unit: 1745

Examiner: Raymond ALEJANDRO

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Noting the Office Action of June 27, 2003 wherein restriction has been required, Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-8, drawn to a polymer electrolyte fuel cell comprising specific separators embodiment), and further elect Species I corresponding to Figs. 2, 4, 6, and 8 as identified by the Examiner, for prosecution in the above-identified application. Furthermore, Applicants identify claims 1-4 as reading on the elected species.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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